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Enclosed herewith are the necessary papers for filing the following application for Letters Patent:

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METHOD FOR ASSEMBLING INTEGRATED CIRCUITS WITH Title PROTECTION OF THE CIRCUITS AGAINST ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE, AND ARRANGEMENT OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS WITH PROTECTION AGAINST **ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE**

1 sheet of formal drawings in triplicate.

A check in the amount of \$790.00 covering the filing fee.

Information Disclosure Statement and 2 References.

Claim for Priority. Certified copy of the corresponding foreign patent application No. 197 43 344.8, filed on September 30, 1997.

This application is being filed without a signed oath or declaration under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(d). Applicant awaits notification of the date by which the oath or declaration and the surcharge are due, pursuant to this rule.

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